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Bethlehem, Litchfield County, Connecticut, 1754.

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AS REVEALED BY THE RESEARCHES OF CHARLES R. GREEN,  
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JUNE, 1893.

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## THE FAMILY RECORD OF

EZRA GREEN,

Born January 30, 1754.

AMY CHURCH GREEN,

Born July 21, 1759.

Their children were:

1. Clarinda Green,	Born Nov. 6, 1777,
2. Lucy Green,	Born Sept. 24, 1779,
3. Theron Green,	Born August 25, 1782,
4. Betsey Green,	Born May 21, 1784,
5. Urana Green,	Born Jany. 23, 1787,
6. Sellick Green,	Born Sept. 13, 1789,
7. Sally Green,	Born July 17, 1791,
8. Charles Green,	Born April 27, 1794,
*. One son,	Born March 6, 1796,
9. Ezra Green, Jr.,	Born Oct. 21, 1797,
10. Eleazer Green,	Born May 16, 1800.

\* Died only 6 days old and not numbered.



This family record of births is drawn from the family bible of Ezra Green, which is now in possession of his grand child, Eleazer Green, Attorney-at-Law, Jamestown, N. Y. Many valuable papers, letters, books, records, etc., belonging to Ezra Green's family, inherited by his son, Eleazer Green, with whom the parents lived in old age, at Remsen, were destroyed by fire which consumed the home of Broughton W. Green, at Harmony, Chautauqua county, N. Y., along about 1885. And from correspondence with the above-named cousin, B. W. Green, eldest son of Eleazer Green, who in the same household for 18 years had the companionship and admonitions of his honored and respected grandmother, Amy Church Green, wife of Ezra Green, I am indebted to for the most of this family history. Mrs. Urania Wooster Donovan, of South Lyon, Mich., another cousin, grand child of Lucy Green Wooster, has interviewed her uncle, Samuel C. Wooster, who, a child of Lucy's, now 88 years old, remembers very much of his grand parents Ezra and Amy Green. Matilda Plumb, born 1805, eldest daughter of Clarinda Green Miller, living in July 1891 with her grandson, G. H. P. Gould, Lyon's Falls, Lewis county, N. Y., has also contributed some recollections. Grove Winter Green, son of Theron Green, born at Sacketts Harbor, N. Y., 1808, is still alive at his home in Springfield, Ohio, aged 85; also his sister, Mary Green Ingersoll, at the same place. With these elderly cousins to refer to, and very many old letters inherited from my father, Elias Green, Wakeman, Ohio, son of Charles Green, who settled in Milan, Ohio, 1833, I am constrained to offer you the following family history:

#### GENERAL FAMILY HISTORY.

Jacob Hoffner, of Cincinnati, O., who was yet alive, over 90 years old, at last accounts, a man of broad views, love of country, and considerable wealth, married as his first wife the late Sarah Canfield, daughter of Urana Green Canfield, of Litchfield, Conn. In their foreign travels these distinguished kinspeople looked up the old homesteads of the Churches and Greens in England. Absence of any written data hinders any more mention of the ancestry in Old England; Mr. Hoffner, however, said to cousin B. W. Green that no better



blood ever crossed the Atlantic than that of the Churches of Connecticut—among which was the family of Samuel Church, of Litchfield, who was the father of our grandmother, Amy Church, the youngest of nine children, born July 24, 1759. Her father built the first paper mill and manufactured the first writing paper in the state—a christian temperance man, who died at the early age of 45 and lies buried in the Bethlehem church yard—Amy was but 17 months old. Her eldest brother, Joshua, was a captain in the Revolutionary war, wounded and a cripple for life—and his boys had birth-marks on their left shoulder blades similar to the scar on the father's. Amy's mother remarried to a Mr. Bradley, but 46 years later died and was buried beside her first husband.

Of the ancestry of Ezra Green little is known, that I have been able to get hold of. Tradition says that early in 1700 three brothers came over from England—one settling in New Jersey, one in Pennsylvania and Ezra's father in Connecticut. Ezra is supposed to have been born near Bethlehem, Litchfield county, Conn., Jany. 30, 1754. We may conjecture the stirring times of his youth; the Stamp Act and the Tea Act of 1765-67 made things interesting those days in those New England towns, and lads of 16, while in those days occupying only the back seats at their public meetings, were growing into soldiers of '76, and we are not surprised to find him a soldier in the Continental army under Col. Benj. Hinman (4th Regt. Conn. Troops) marching in May and June 1775 to the rescue of the "Green Mountain Boys," and to save from recapture the important posts of Ticonderoga and Crown Point, on the northern frontier, while other companies of this same regiment went down to battle at Bunker Hill, June 17th. There was much sickness in the army and as their term of service was only six months, we find them coming home in November 1775. Again he enlisted under Capt. Smith in Col. P. B. Bradley's regiment, in 1776, and served six months. This Battalion was in Wadsworth's Brigade and was employed in defence of the state especially, from invasion along the sound, and some of it even as far south as Bergen Heights and Jersey City. Ezra Green enlisted June 23d, discharged Dec. 28, 1776. Some time this year, (1776) it is supposed, Ezra Green and Amy Church were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Bethlehem, Conn.



In '77 Ezra Green did service for his country 5 weeks under Capt. Enos Hawley in Col. Moseley's regiment, in repelling some invasion, and at another time the same season was out a week to Danbury for service. As the Adj't. Gen'l's report of Connecticut men in the Revolution and war of 1812 speaks of some 50 Greens who used no finale "e" one has to study carefully these records, as I found one Ezra Green, a serg't in Capt. Brown's company of Stan'dford, who enlisted March, '77 for three years, and died Feb. 12, 1778. I also find by such researches that there was one Eleazer Green in that war, a drafted man who saw service several monts of '78 along the sound. This is supposed to be a brother of Ezra, as it is a family name. The Churches took a very active part in this war as in the war of 1812. This is not to be wondered at, as we find in our New England history one Capt. Benj. Church, born in Plymouth, 1639, and captain in the forces who captured King Philip; distinguished for piety, valor and integrity.

Many anecdotes are preserved in tradition by our Green descendants, of those days of '76". Grandfather Ezra wanted a breakfast one morning bad enough to pay \$150 for it, and after he got home a yearling calf cost him \$113 in Continental money.

When Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown, Oct., 1781, grandfather obtained of the Hessians two silver knee buckles and two silver shoe buckles and a horse pistol with a flint lock. Other war relics with these were preserved by the family for 50 years or more, and at the death of Grandmother Amy were presented to her grandson, Broughton Green, then a young man of 18, who soon after lost them while removing to his father's new home in Western New York, none regretting it more than the custodian of the gifts. Journeying by means of the canal boat, one morning when the chest was found missing the boatman said that as they passed under a low bridge it had been smashed and swept off into the waters. How true this story was they could not stop to ascertain, but nothing was ever heard of the chest again with its valuable relics. While regretting the loss of these worldly effects, our ancestors left something that was more valuable to us than silver or gold—they left names of untarnished rep-



utation. Principle, love and truth cannot die or be annihilated. Our ancestors were people of sterling integrity and honor—part of the good old Pilgrim stock.

Grandfather used to like to hunt and fish and have a good time generally—too much of that disposition to accumulate any great amount of property in Connecticut. For a few years after the war, in 1789, Baron Von Steuben, having received a grant of land from New York and the government in recognition of his distinguished services, built himself a cabin home and invited his comrades to come and settle on his lands, in many cases giving pieces to old soldiers. To this tract in Oneida county, N. Y., our grandfather removed in 1791 or 92, and undoubtedly mourned the death of the good Baron two years later. Ezra Green, now a matured man of 38, has a family of 6 or 7 children. Sally, who married Harvey Phelps, was born July 17, 1791, either in Conn. or here, while an old family bible of my own grandfather, Charles Green, 61 years old, records the fact that he was born April 27, 1794, at Steuben, Oneida county, N. Y.

However, before leaving Bethlehem I will give this anecdote related by Grandmother Amy to her grandchildren: The first spring they were married, April or May, 1777, grandfather and his chums wanted to go and catch some fish one fine day, but grandmother thought best for him to plow their garden and some other plowing. The fishing party got started, however, when Amy hailed them and asked them to do an errand for her, which they very readily promised to do. Would she tell them what it was? With an old-fashioned pudding bag in her hand she politely asked them if they wouldn't get her that bag full of sand. But what do you want of it? She told them their plow share needed scouring and if it was not scoured soon they would not raise anything that season. "I never heard of a Green going fishing again in the spring until the spring plowing was done." Yet her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren down to the fourth generation greatly love such sport, and it was with pride that one of the daughters caught fish and sold to Baron Von Steuben in the early days at Remsen, and undoubtedly just as great a love for the sport can be found to-day back there in that Adirondack country by the present misses.



Another good anecdote told of these Bethlehem days, of the ready wit of our grandmother, who could joke and jest with the smartest. She and her oldest sons and daughters were going to meeting one Sunday, and meeting some one with a double team, the whiffletree caught the cutter box in such a way as to tear it all to pieces, leaving the running gear whole. She got her sheep skin and a blanket onto it and went on, but had not gone far before they met some of the village aristocracy going out for a Sunday pleasure ride. One of them says, "There is Mother Green going to heaven on a sheep shin." As quick as thought the answer came: "I'd rather go to heaven on a sheep skin than to hell in a carriage." The speaker was so taken aback that at the first hotel he treated the party. Grandmother never wanted to hear any of descendants brag. She used to tell the story of the qualities of the two dogs: "Brag and Holdfast." The nineteen years that she lived after Ezra, her husband, died gave her a chance to admonish many of her grandchildren, and she must have had a good many, as five of her own children lived around at convenient distance when she was 82 years old.

Grandmother Green was very punctual in attending church and all her girls were professors of religion—all Methodists except Urana, who was a Baptist. Aunt Urana was the best versed in the bible of any in the family. She could repeat the bible from Genesis to Revelation. Grandmother could tell what book I was reading aloud from by reading two or four verses, and very often repeat the next few verses. Grandmother Green just before she died said she was to die and she talked as coolly and calmly as I ever heard her on any subject. Broughton Green says he stood by her bedside as she breathed her last, and her last words were, "Come blessed Jesus, why tarry so long." Her life was an exemplary one, and I never heard of any one but who respected "Mother Green." She was very ingenious with her needle, could knit our names in the wrists of our mittens, cut and make boys' and mens' clothing, make fishing lines for her grandchildren, and was a model housewife of that day and age. The Greens of that day made good teachers (generally rather easy for them to procure an education) and were law abiding people.



We now come more particularly to the home life of Ezra Green at Remsen. In conversation with Betsey Green Hurlbut, of Centralia Nemaha county, Kansas, who was born in 1833, and as a girl of 9 or 10 years, remembers many things that Broughton didn't, I learn that Ezra Green, getting along in years now, 71 years old, had Eleazer, the youngest son, take the farm, and only 8 months before grandfather's death Eleazer married Sylvina Kent, who were fellow towns people from Bethlehem, Conn. I do not think that Ezra was a hard working man here. He filled a sort of a squire's office, did a little pettifogging and thus helped out the living. Clarinda and Lucy married off in 1800 and 1801 and it was the custom for the young folks in those days to all push out and get into homes or employment of their own very early in life. The great inducements of Western N. Y., Western Reserve, Ohio and Southern Michigan induced the boys to go west and grow up with the country.

Ezra Green died of heart disease. They were preparing to go out and grandmother was in an adjoining room; Sylvina, the only one in the room hearing a chair squeak, looked up and saw grandfather falling. She sprang to his assistance, but he had breathed his last.

Cousin Samuel C. Wooster, son of Lucy Green Wooster, who knew the grandparents, says the Ezra Green was a Capt. in the war and afterwards drew a pension of \$40 per month. I can find no records to that effect. Another cousin says that he was a drafted man. He may have been the third term of service, which was for state defense. But I submit herewith the following:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 7, 1891.

SIR:-

In reply to your letter of November 23rd., addressed to the Department of the Interior, and referred to this Bureau, you will please find below a statement of the military and family history of Ezra Green, a Revolutionary soldier, as contained in the application for pension, of his widow, on file in this office.

She states in her declaration that her husband, Ezra Green, enlisted in the spring of 1775, as a private in Capt. David Hinman's Company, Col. Benjamin Hinman's Regt., and served until November, 1775. Enlisted under Capt. Smith, in Col. Philip Bradley's Regt. in 1776 and served six months. In the summer of 1777, served at Peekskill, N. Y., under Capt. Enos Hawley, in Col. Moseley's Regt., for five weeks. Also about the 25th of April, 1777, he went to Danbury under Captain Hawley and remained about a week.



It is not stated in any of the papers on file that he was engaged in any battle. His widow was granted a pension of \$47.98 per annum commencing on the 4th of March, 1831.

CHARLES R. GREEN, Esq.,  
Lyndon, Kansas.

Very Respectfully,

GREEN B. RAUM,  
Commissioner.

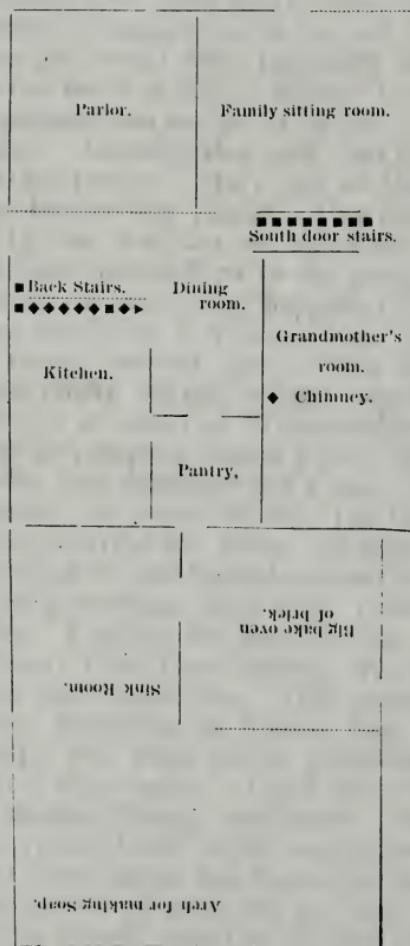
Eleazer Green built his dwelling house in Remsen about 1823-24, and when he went to house keeping his father and mother moved at once, and lived with them. I asked Betsey G. Hurlbut to describe it. It was a large house, on the ground at least 24x36 with an addition on the rear, perhaps 18x24, which contained sink room, big brick bake oven, arch for soap making, woodshed, etc. The upright below was divided into about six rooms, with two stairways. The house faced east, and the family sitting room was the southeast room and communicated through the stairway hall with grandmother's room, which was on the south side of the house and had a chimney. Grandmother also had a clothes press up stairs, and toward the last some of us girls assisted her in doing her sweeping. She always ate at the family table but received her company in her own room, and the children were careful not to intrude without permission. In those days children were neither seen or heard when the elders did their visiting.

Betsey said: "There was a big room up stairs with a fireplace in. The best stairs led up from a hall opening out the south door, which was the principal entrance, although a side door, and they went across lots to Aunt Sally's from this door. Father was a justice of the peace and usually performed the various offices of the law up stairs. When I misbehaved at the table I had to go and sit on lower step of the back stairs in the room."

Broughton says Eleazer and wife went to live with the grandparents and were to take care of them, pay the debts and have the homestead, which was about forty acres with good house and barn. The original Ezra Green home site on the bank of Cincinnati creek, is about 95 rods from the house father built, and where we were born, which was over the line in Remsen. We never had but one pair of stairs in use at a time. The house was story and half."



## NORTH AND SOUTH ROAD,



ELEAZER'S HOUSE WHERE THE GRANDPARENTS DIED.



Theron's girl, Mary, when young, was at Remsen—perhaps she lived with her grandmother Amy. She had a new bonnet and it was trimmed or decorated with an artificial flower. Grandmother took her to Steuben to quarterly meeting; as they were going into the love feast Sunday morning grandmother presented her ticket and was about to take Mary Green (afterward Mrs. Ingersoll) into the love feast. The minister at the door said: "Mother Green, you know the rules; that artificial can not go in, or the child can't with that on her bonnet." Grandmother took hold of it and tore it off and put it in her pocket. Mary was no Methodist after that her first nice bonnet was ruined. This incident was told to Broughton by one who saw and heard the whole transaction, for it must have occurred 70 or 80 years ago, and in the "forties" almost the same thing happened to one of Eleazer's girls, in their new home in Western New York.

Clarinda Green married James Miller in 1800. He was a carpenter, but finally became a local preacher in the M. E. church and was ordained at Westmoreland, Oneida county. He was quite an extensive farmer before his death. She had three children, two daughter and a son. Matilda, born July 11, 1805, Betsey and James Miller. The first married Eleazer Plumb; Betsey married Mr. Allen. Matilda, so far as I know, is still alive, aged 88 and beholds around her sons and daughters of the 5th generation from Ezra Green, and her great grandchildren. I believe her home is with a grandson, G. H. P. Gould, Lyon's Falls, Lewis county, N. Y., where many of Ezra Green's descendants live. This county adjoins Oneida on the north. Referring to Cousin Amy C. Phelps' letter, written in 1841, two years before grandmother's death, she thus speaks of this family: "Uncle Miller's family visited us last winter, Matilda, Betsey and James. Aunt Clarinda died last summer; (1840) Uncle Miller was married last November, I think, and Cousin James was married in March." (1841).

As Matilda is now 36 years old, we may imagine that her daughter, Mary Plumb, might be old enough to slyly look at Mr. Gould, and it is reserved for some other historian to follow out all the generations of this Clarinda Green Miller family.

The second child in order of Ezra and Amy Green's family



was Lucy, who married the next year after Clarinda, viz: Sept. 13, 1801, age 22—born, married and died in the month September. She married Amos Wooster, who was a native of the adjoining county, Herkimer; a farmer, who died in '41. They had two children, Alpheus and Samuel C. Wooster, Alpheus was born May 19, 1803, in the town of Russia, Herkimer county, N. Y. Samuel was born two years later and is alive yet, aged 88 years near the Wooster relatives in Mich.

Aunt Lucy, Alpheus' mother died there in New York, Sept. 13, 1820, at the early age of 41; but her husband some years later, in 1834, moved with his son Alpheus to near Ann Arbor, Mich; Alpheus had strayed off to Monroe county, New York, in the neighborhood of his uncle Charles Green, and at the town of Greece, married Mrs. Margaret Hoover, a Scotch lady, the year after Charles Green moved to Milan, Ohio, and the year before the Woosters moved to Michigan. Alpheus chose him out a good home 38 miles west of Detroit, and in a letter to his Uncle Eleazer, back at Remsen, in the old homestead in 1841, mentions the death of his father, Amos Wooster, and wishes to know the dates of his mother, Lucy's, birth and death. Eleaser is quite busy and neglects answering this letter, several months elapse and Grandmother Amy, who is now 82 years old, prevails on Cousin Amy C. Phelps to write the family letter, and it is such a good one that I give a copy of it to the readers. The original is in the possession of Urania Wooster Donovan, youngest daughter of Alpheus, born in 1845, who is living 15 miles from the old homestead at South Lyon, Oakland county, Mich, a lady much interested in this Ezra Green family history.

There are other branches of this Wooster family living there in Michigan.

Alpheus died July 24, 1871, and his wife, after living four years on the old farm alone, went to live with Urania, with whom she lived 15 years, dying in 1890, aged 86 years.

We now come to Theron Green, the oldest boy. Although two of his children, Grove Winter Green and Mary Green Ingersoll, are yet alive in good old age, at Springfield, O., I have not been able in correspondence to draw out much family history about Theron, the father. I infer that he grew up, married, went to Sackets Harbor, which is on Lake On-



tario, north of Remsen, and the two children, Mary and Grove were born in the years 1806 and 1808 that the family moved about considerable, and for some reason broke up when Grove was seven years old, and he was not living at home any more until he was 16. I do not know when Theron died. Of Grove Green's family and history see further on.

Betsey Green, the fourth child born in 1784, married Bohan Smith, of Remsen, and lived near home. My father, Elias Green, visited some of the cousins of this family, Aug., 1859, perhaps he visited them in years before; I remember very well his being absent from home this particular time, as I, a boy 11 years old, had to water the stock during the drouth while he was gone, out of a deep well, with hook and pail, and my mother went along to see that I didn't fall in. So, you see, dear friends, that we sometimes get impressions of family visits very early in life. My father made some notes of names of cousins in the several families in his memorandum book; and in a letter home to mother, writing from Trenton Falls, says: "I have had a good visit with my uncles, aunts and cousins, and although I have spent but little time with them, I have enjoyed it and found them all well." Of the cousins in Aunt Bestey's family, he says Honora married Evan Owens. I find in later notes, the word "dead" marked. Urana Smith married Mitchell, of Copenhagen; James Smith lived at Turin; Alsena married John Owens, of Remsen, and Lucy married Wells, of Copenhagen. Now, it is very easy to record these facts, but were I acquainted at Remsen, undoubtedly many pages might be filled with the events of the life of this family and their descendants. I don't know when Aunt Betsey died.

I find that there was not much intercourse between the cousins of New York and those of the "Far West," as Amy Phelps expressed it in her letter 50 years ago. The family name is kept up by naming the girls Urana and Lucy. In 1884 Mrs. P. Owen, a grand daughter of Betsey Green Smith of Utica, visits the Lucy Wooster branch of the family in Michigan, as did Uncle Eleazer.

In 1859 Ezra's daughter Josephine Green, in correspondence with Elias Green, of Ohio, says: "Aunt Betsey's health is very poor this summer—not expected to live—dropsy of



the lungs will carry her to the grave."

The Urana Canfield branch of Ezra Green's family I know more about, as it was my fortune during the war of the Rebellion, when a wounded soldier, sent from the battlefield of Chicamauga to the Ohio hospital at Cincinnati, to be entertained in the families of Mrs. Sarah Hoffner and James W. Canfield in that city. Whether they then were the only two children of Urana Green Canfield living, I don't remember, but I find in a letter to me from Jacob Hoffner, during the war, that, "Mrs. H. (Sarah) has three sisters and each one has an only son, and all three are in the war for three years; none hurt yet." (1862.) That, "Cynthia Munson's (Mrs. H.'s niece) mother lives in Connecticut and has a brother in the army under Burnside." Then again in 1864 Mr. Hoffner, who was heart, soul and purse for the Union, writes: "I went the other day to Harper's Ferry for Dwight Kilbourn, my wife's nephew, who was wounded, and took him home to Connecticut, where I left my wife with him while I hurried home to vote." Mr. Canfield was a merchant there in Cincinnati. I never heard him speak of his father or mother. Mrs. Hoffner talked with me some but I made no notes as I was a stranger and engrossed with soldier life. I regret it much, for she was so kind. That was the last time I ever saw her, for soon after the close of the war, 1866, when on a pleasure voyage down the Mississippi river the boat blew up and she was never seen more. As she was then 59 years old and was born at Litchfield, Conn., I infer that Urana Green must have married and moved back to Connecticut from Remsen.

I correct a mistake made in my introduction by saying Sarah was the first wife Mr. Hoffner married her as his second wife, and after her death married a third time.

There is so much in the character of the Hoffners to admire that I will devote a page to them further on.

Sellick, the 6th child and second son, born Sept. 13, 1789, had the most numerous family of any of Ezra Green's children. All dead in 1891 but Earl Bill, "Doc" they called him. Sellick married Fanny Fowler and settled down round home; three of his children, however, settled 50 miles away in Lewis and Jefferson counties. The names of the children of Sellick come about thus: Charles, George, John, Caleb, one girl,



Maria, Wells H. and Doctor Earl Bill. A son of Charles, by name E. P. Green, lives in Minneapolis. As with other Remsen families, being unacquainted I have little to write. Father has left little record of them and it is so difficult to get satisfaction from correspondence that I have avoided it, so here is an open field for family genealogists.

The Sally Green Phelps family live around Remsen. When Aunt Sally married Harvey Phelps I do not know. My father visited Aunt Sally in 1856, at Denmark Lewis county, N. Y. Her children, undoubtedly many of them married then, were, Harry, Amy C., who married Morgan, Chandley L., Elizabeth, who married Wheeler, and Nathan Phelps, five in number. I think Broughton Green said all were yet alive in 1891. Cousin Betsy Hurlbut told me considerable about these relatives, and desiring to know more of their genealogy I addressed a letter of inquiry to one of them, which was never acknowledged. But though strangers, my heart warms toward them when I read a 50 year old letter written by Amy C., though only a girl, at the request of her grandmother, and undoubtedly she is, if alive, a worthy namesake of our grandmother Amy Church Green. And I trust that our daughters, as they become mothers in homes of their own, will see to it that there are more Amys. I am told that Amy C. Phelps was a successful teacher, and that Chandley L. Phelps ably represented this county in state offices at Albany; and of the later generation of Phelps's, I have heard there were two who went out in the late war and fought for the Union. Aunt Sally Phelps lived on a farm but Harvey, the husband run a saw mill on Cincinnati creek. They lived only about a quarter of a mile from Eleazer Green's. Mr. Phelps died before the recollection of Cousin Betsy. One Sunday they found their cow dead; next Sunday the horse was found dead. The loss of these animals in those days meant a great deal to such pioneer families. The father seemed to have a presentment of his coming death in some manner, for he spoke of it in class meeting about this time. The next Sunday morning he slid down from the mow in the barn onto the upturned tines of the fork and died, leaving a large circle to mourn the loss of this good man, and a widow with a family of children to struggle upward in life.



My grandfather, Charles Green, was born at Steuben, in '94. I think left home as early as the age of twenty to go further west. The Erie canal project was being put through in those days and lots of young men went west to newer countries. Charles stopped in the country around Living-stone and Ontario counties, and learned or followed the trade of cloth manufacturer James Perrin, my grandmother's youngest brother, yet alive at the advanced age of 81, says when quite young he went to their house (for Charles was married to Electa Perrin in 1818) and found Charles Green owned a carding machine for wool and followed cloth dressing, on Henry creek, Bloomfield. Some years later he went onto a farm two miles west of Allen's Mills, afterward Rochester. James Perrin chopped wood for them in the winter and drove canal horses in the summer. For some reason grandfather had a crazy spell, when his wife had to take charge of the business, trade off the farm, give an acceptable title, trade two carding machines and make the preparations for the move to Milan, Ohio, in 1832-33. Grove Green also made it convenient to come and spend a season with his Uncle Charles at West Bloomfield, working in the clothier shop in the summer and going to school in the winter. That was before Grandfather Ezra died, probably 1823, as Grove said that Elias could not talk plain. From here Grove footed it to Buffalo and learned his trade. My father, Elias, once told me that he used to go to Allen's Mills with the grist of corn when he was 10 or 12 years old, and there were but two or three houses there then, with plenty of squirrels jumping around on the trees. This was the beginning of the city of Rochester, and my grandparents' little farm, now a part of the city, would have made them worth thousands if they had stayed on it. My father saw Sam Patch make his fatal leap near the falls, from a great height. My grandmother seems to have been a woman similar to Grandmother Amy, competent to do any business or travel alone. Six children were born to them around Bloomfield; one died as they were about to start for Ohio, and at Milan they buried another; but some years later James P. Green was born, so that five grew up to manhood. I do not know the attraction at Milan, O. They moved there in the winter of 1833, in a wagon, and I have heard my father

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tell some of their trials which are usually found in a new country. One thing that they appreciated there was the seminary at Milan, which enabled all the boys (for there were no girls born in this family,) to get good educations. Some of the New York relatives came to visit and enjoy terms of school here also.

The Perrins came originally from Connecticut to Monroe county, N. Y. Their published genealogy shows that John Perryn came to Braintree, Mass., August, 1635, and that Electa was of the 7th generation, being a daughter of Jacob Perrin, one of the family of brothers who settled Perrinton, New York, in 1789.

As Electa was next to the oldest of a large family, and having lived near her people some years after marriage, we find that the Perrins emigrated to the west, into Southern Michigan, and there was every year more or less intercourse between the New York, Ohio and Michigan families; one cousin in particular, who is well advanced in years, L. Maritta Goff Morrel, making us such pleasant visits every year or two. In the year when the cholera was so bad through the north, I think 1832, our folks lived near Rochester, and father, though only 12, worked for a rich man, getting a handsome remuneration. Grandfather Charles Green was a good manager and never left a debt when he died. His mother, Amy Church Green, came out and stayed with them at Milan. While she was there they had family prayers. Perhaps it was in those days that he cut and hauled off wood and sold at 75 cents per cord for four foot length enough to buy the old-fashioned leather bound family bible which I inherited, and which contains their family record. He was quick tempered and would knock his children right down with a board or any thing if they didn't obey, but my mother, who lived beside them, says, "he was a real good, sociable man, and she liked him ever so much, and felt real bad about his sad death" which occurred March 31, 1853, aged 59 years, by his own hand. Grandmother Electa followed two years later, and with Ransom and Chauncey, two of their children, are sleeping in the old neighborhood burying ground three miles east of Milan. Their children are all dead. Ezra, a young man, went to seek his fortune away west in Illinois in 1844, and



getting an opportunity to go down to Louisiana to work as a carpenter, and died there, 1845, among strangers.

Chauncey married and as a physician sought a home in Minnesota, but after the death of his wife returned to Ohio and died in 1861 of consumption, leaving a second wife and four children.

CHAUNCEY'S FAMILY RECORD:—Chauncey born June 28, 1824, probably at West Bloomfield, Ontario county, N. Y. Married Marette Humphrey, who lived near Wellington, Ohio, 1848. Electa Green, born January 14, 1850. Ella M. Green born January 14, 1853; Fanny Lena Green, born September 19, 1857.

Electa married H. L. Swain, of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Ella married Everett Hull, of Oberlin, died in Toledo, September 23, 1886, leaving two children. Fanny died May 13, 1878, a young lady. Their mother died when Fanny was seven months old, May 19, 1858. Her parents lived beside them in Minnesota.

After Chauncey came back to Ohio he married Sophia Day in 1859. Her parents lived near Oberlin and could trace their family genealogy back to Pilgrim days. Chauncey settled and practiced medicine at Birmingham, a few miles from Milan, O. A son, Charles Alexis Green, was born to them at Birmingham, Ohio, Dec. 31, 1860.

The father died the next year, Oct. 25, 1861, aged 37 years, 3 months and 27 days.

Charles A. is a leading mechanic and a young man of great inventive genius, at Fort Myers, Lee county, Florida—unmarried. Electa had three children: Ella M. Swain, Chas. L. Swain, and Hobart A. Swain. Ella is married to Clarence Ashworth, of Minneapolis, and has one five year old boy.

James P. learned the machinist trade, went west of the Mississippi, served in the U. S. Gunboat Service during the war, married and settled at Kansas City, where he made and lost a fifty thousand dollar fortune in five years; but nothing daunted went to Colorado and rose and fell again; and was on a fair road to wealth the third time, in Texas, when he was stricken down by typhoid fever in 1875.

His wife died several years later. Willie H. Green, born about 1860, is married and settled down as an engineer on the



Texas Pacific R. R., Marshal, Texas. He, like his father, is a good machinist. Annie was born in 1866, married John Hull, 1883, lived with her husband six years, in Texas, divorced from him because of shiftlessness, and is supporting herself at Galveston at last accounts. She goes by the name of Graham. Aimee attended school at Norwalk, Ohio, living in Carlos Green's family, but was recalled home by her mother's death. James P. Green died September 27, 1875, aged 37 years, 9 months and 17 days.

A little son Jimmy, who was about five years old and had to go on crutches, died 2 years after the father. Two children are living. This uncle furnished certain material for 100 miles of the Union Pacific in its building, 1867; also interested in the building of the Santa Fe system and other operations in which machinery figured and genius was required. We see here three stricken down before they attained middle age.

Elias was the oldest, born May 22, 1820, near West Bloomfield, Ontario and Livingstone counties, New York. He was well advanced in his studies, being learned in the languages and familiar with the classics. He was a writer of "prose," a composer of "blank verse" and a contributor to several newspapers and journals. He delighted in music. It is interesting to look over his school records of 14 terms taught around Milan, Berlin and other places convenient. He found the avocation of a farmer the pleasantest; marrying Mary Ann Shelton, whose people were from Connecticut, they settled down in Huron county at Wakeman and Clarksfield, and ten children were born to them, eight of which are living at the present time, having each homes or families of their own. The grandfather, Charles, honored his own father, Ezra Green, by naming one of his boys Ezra. Elias honored his ancestors by two family names, Ezra and Charles, among his five boys, and it is expected that the son lately born into Ezra's family will have that time honored name for his; so that there shall be at least one Ezra Green in every generation of the Ohio branch.

Charles R. Green, the author of this history, does not care to write of himself more than to say that he shed blood on Southern battlefields for the maintenance of the Union, and that he held a surveyor's chain across the continent for the



second trans-continental railway line; that he married Flavia Barbour, a Connecticut born girl, for his first wife, who died at Lyndon, Kansas, leaving six motherless children, and after five years he married Annie Kring, of Kansas, and that he was born in 1845. Elias Green lived until his 61st year, dying at Wakeman, Ohio, of pneumonia, March 12, 1881. The mother and all the family except Charles live around there. Elias and Carlos were known to many of the cousins at Remsen, as the former made at least two visits there in his lifetime.

Carlos from the first always had a love for sailing the lakes. Although having the old homestead and afterwards other fine farms around Milan, he liked to go west and help James in his operations, and after James' death he became interested in railroad building down in Central America, where he went and returned two or three times, enjoying good health there, but finally leaving home in the fall of 1884 with a companion, he took down sick with the yellow fever as he passed through New Orleans and died two or three days later on the ship and was buried at sea, aged 59. No sons lived in his family. Aunt Alice and two married daughters with families live at Norwalk.

Josephine, the oldest daughter, born May 22, 1851; married Richard Webster in 1868. He was from Connecticut. A son, Carlos Green Webster, was born to them February 20, 1872. They live at Norwalk, Ohio. Catharine (or Katie) born October 2, 1862, married Clayton Rood, of Norwalk, Ohio, 1881. Her mother lives with her, or at least they live together on a nice little farm two miles east of East Norwalk.

They have a son 12 years old: Harry Green Rood.

This uncle was a very sociable man and a good manager on the farm. I have lived in the family, and it was Carlos who taught me the first wheat to sow broadcast in Kansas.

Now, good kinspeople of other branches of the Ezra Green family, pardon this unusual lengthy sketch of Charles Green and his descendants. Outside the fact of being well acquainted with their history, and having written only a synopsis of it, I expect to get the principal part of the means for the publishing of this pamphlet from them. And in conclusion will say that there are about 41 descendants of the Charles Green



branch alive to-day, and a list will be found on an appendix page hereafter.

FAMILY RECORD OF ELIAS GREEN,

ELIAS GREEN, Born May 22, 1820.

MARY ANN SHELTON, Born March 10, 1826.

They were married November 26, 1844.

CHILDREN.

Charles Ransley Green, Born Nov. 8, 1845, at Milan, Ohio.

Helena A. Green, born March 30, 1848, at Wakeman, Ohio.

Julia Aldretta Green, born Sept. 5, 1850, at " "

Hepsie Elizabeth Green, born April 21, 1852, at " "

David Elias Green, born Nov. 24, 1853, at " "

Gersham Shelton Green, born Nov. 5, 1859, at E. Clarksfield.

Ezra Lincoln Green, born Nov. 30, 1861, at E. Clarksfield, O.

Mary Ann Green, born July 15, 1863, at " " "

Bessie Henretta Green, born Dec. 12, 1866, at " "

Carlos Henry Green, born May 15, 1868, at E. " "

Helena died June 10, 1850, of cancer in the eye.

Alda died April 19, 1879, at Akron, Ohio, of quick consumption, aged 29.

The girls married:

Hepsie—Will Morriss, 1880, lives in East Clarksfield, has no children of her own, but took her brother Charles' youngest child, Maurice E. D. Green, to bring up.

Bessie—Mathew Delamater, in 1885, Wakeman, Ohio, and has three children

Mary—Married Emerson Fletcher, (born Oct. 10, 1864,) February 23, 1887, Wakeman, Ohio, two children: Hattie Winifred, born Feb. 12, 1889, and Myron Elbert, Aug 10, '91.

Ezra Green Jr., born in '97, was the 9th child. He settled near home, marrying Millie — —. Ezra died October 1873, but Millie, his wife, was yet alive at last accounts, aged 93. She was the mother of seven children, five of which are married daughters, living in Trenton. My father always enjoyed his Uncle Ezra's society, and, although I do not recollect anything he said after visiting there, 1856, he kept up a correspondence with one of the girls, his cousin Josephine, for some years. It was my fortune to meet the eldest son of Ezra, Henry S. Green, at his home in St. Louis in 1868, but was



there but an hour or so. He is now dead, as is his wife, and they left no children. Harvey Green, another son, living around Oneida county somewhere, I am unable to speak of. At the date of this writing I am sorry to have so little information of this family, in which, I am told, there are many grandchildren. This anecdote is related by a niece, of some of Ezra's and Eleazer's doings when young men. Sylvina Kent shed her smiles on several beaux; one wintry night when out slight riding with one. Eleazer and Ezra Green placed rails in the track at the bottom of a hill they had to come down, so that Sylvina doubtless got jogged, but Eleazer got her for a companion in the end.

Of Eleazer, the youngest in the family, much can be written. He it was who for so many years cared for our Grandmother Amy, who after the father's death in 1825, became the head of the family and kept up the honor of the Greens in the old homestead. Who made the trip back to the old Connecticut home in search of evidence to establish the claim of his mother for a pension from the government, as a widow of a Revolutionary soldier, which was granted to her in 1831, as shown on preceding pages. Eleazer was born in the town of Steuben in 1800. Some of the sisters married off about this year. He married Sylvina Kent, January 11, 1824, several months before Grandfather Ezra's death.

The Kents were people of sterling integrity, whose ancestors had come from Wales and France to the New England shore, and Sylvina's mother and our Grandmother Amy Church, back at Litchfield, when little girls, used to eat apples together under a certain fine apple tree, and we do not wonder that the families are united by marriage. Eva Hurlbut Carpenter, a granddaughter of Eleazer, showed me a piece of bed curtain tapestry woven by the great grandmother back in France, doubtless 150 years old now.

Eleazer taught school in 1818-20, and was very successful. Doubtless there may be those living around Remsen who went to him in those days long ago. He was named and educated for a minister, but never made a profession of religion, and never preached except as a school teacher or by example. Eleazer seems to have kept up intercourse with the western members of his father's family, and his daughter So-



phia must have spent a season with her Uncle Charles at Milan, Ohio, as she afterward married Geo. W. Smith, of that place. In some old letters I believe is an account of Eleazer's visit in late years to the Wooster branch in Michigan. I was quite interested in his daughter Betsy's account of the removal from Remsen to their new home in Chautauqua county, western N. Y. John Kent, a brother of Sylvina, had previously settled there, and Sophia was there already. I think the move was made in the fall of 1847. Broughton W., the oldest son, had become a successful teacher for that day, although only 22 years old, and did not make a final departure from Remsen until two years later. The household goods were hauled to Rome, where they went by way of the canal to Buffalo and thence by wagon to Harmony. Betsy remembers this ride very well as she was 13 or 14, and as Eleazer, the two-year-old baby, occupied the mother's full attention, Betsy had to attend to William, who was five, and as they went along the lake shore from Buffalo in a stage, often it would mire down and the folks would have to walk, so that Betsy had a hard job carrying the boy. William died young, from the effects of the bite of a dog. Eleazer, the baby, young as he was, was determined not to leave the Remsen home. Whenever he could, he would turn back along the road to Rome, and even on the canal boat and stage had to be watched.

Betsy also remembers when a girl five or six years old bringing home apronsfull of sweet apples from a certain orchard planted years before by Grandfather Ezra. It was on some adjoining farm that seems to have been lost, as in the family talk between Aunt Sally Phelps and father, a certain lot, known as the "Dodge lot," west or southwest of the house a half mile more or less, a level lot, quite free of stone, seemed to be called into question, and sometimes farmed by one and another of the family.

Eleazer filled many offices of trust in the township, such as town clerk, commissioner and inspector of schools, assessor, road overseer, constable and collector, but was never a justice of the peace as stated in the former pages, and while the square room up stairs in the house plan given might have been used for papers, town records, etc., Broughton thinks it



never was used as an office. The house underwent a remodeling which is hard to understand. Eleazer was very forward in all educational matters, taking after his Grandmother Church Green, whose kinspeople were manufacturers, builders, lawyers and jurists.

#### FAMILY RECORD OF ELEAZER GREEN.

ELEAZER GREEN, born in town of Steuben, May 16, 1800,  
SYLVINA KENT, born in town of Remsen, July 27, 1807,

Married January 11, 1824. Their children were:

Broughton White Green, born May 24, 1825, at Remsen.  
Sophia Burchard Green, born April 12, 1827 at " "  
Betsy Smith Green, born July 18, 1833, at "  
Amy Church Green, born May 14, 1839, at "  
William Eleazer Green, born July 5, 1843, at "  
Eleazer Green Jr., born March 16, 1846, at "

Sophia B. married Geo. W. Smith, Milan, Ohio; had three boys and died (no date given). Eleazer Smith, one of her sons, married Broughton's daughter Sylvina and lives at Findlay, Ohio. One of the other sons lives at Cresco, Mich. The other at Belvidere, Ill. The father, Geo. Smith, is dead.

Betsy S. married Elias Hurlbut, (born in the town of Harmony, N. Y.; March 1, 1834), June 16, 1857, and after living a few years in Chautauqua county, was obliged to remove to Kansas for her health. They had one daughter, Fannie, born June 7, 1858, who recollects her grandparents, Eleazer and Sylvina very well. She was married to Worth O. Carpenter, December 5, 1886, in Centralia, Kansas, and has a daughter Ethel, born February 7, 1888. I visited the home of these cousins in the winter of 1892, and was shown many olden time relics, and heard much history that space forbids my mentioning.

Amy C. married A. C. Palmer, of Jamestown, N. Y., and has three children, the oldest a girl; the second a boy who from congestion of the brain is not well. The third, Fred B. Palmer, will soon be a graduate of the Alleghany college.

Eleazer received a common English education and afterwards a law course, and is successful both in business and profession; marrying Mary Brown and settling down near home at Jamestown, N. Y., to practice law. They have three



children, Edward J. Green, a talented young man of 18; Ella 17; and Clara L., 14. It was the Eleazer of this generation that Mr. Hoffner wanted to take and educate and have for a child of his own and an heir to his wealth, in 1861. But the father, Eleazer, did not care to spare one of his family.

Broughton W., the oldest of Eleazer's family, now 68 years old, seems to be the last to be written about. He has been very willing to gather and send me family history of every one except himself. He was married to Alvira Carpenter May 2, 1849, about the year he left Remsen to join his father in western New York. He seems to have settled near there, at Busti, as a farmer, and has told me that all five of his children were born there and that the mother, Alvira, died there —no date given.

The names of Broughton's children are: Wesley B., Mary E., Martha A., Sylvina Annis and William Eleazer.

Wesley B. Green is a successful railroad official on the Northern Union Pacific in Montana, and has four children. Mary is married and has five children. She lives at Busti, N. Y., but I don't know her name.

Martha has been married twice. By the first husband, who is dead, she has three living children, and one daughter by her present husband. Their home is at Busti.

Sylvina married Eleazer Smith, Findlay, O., and has one boy.

William Eleazer is also in the west. He married a young English lady and has one child, a son. He was farming in 1891-92 at Spencer, Iowa, but left for Idaho, or that way.

Thus we find that Broughton's descendants number about twenty. Broughton has had a world of bad luck, and I don't know as it is best to say anything more about it. He was married to a second wife in the 80's, but obtained a divorce afterwards; and not having any home of his own, he spends his winters with one and another of his children. His permanent address is Harmony, N. Y. My mother says he is a jovial fellow and adapts himself wonderfully to any and all circumstances; which is the true way to happiness.

Broughton, in speaking of early childhood days, says: "I do not recollect there ever being company to see Grandmother Amy when we children couldn't go into grandmother's room. My oldest sister slept with her a good deal and was a



great favorite of hers. And in fact I did not know Betsy ever misbehaved any there. She was the most obedient girl I had in my schools. I recollect of but one instance when Betsy did not go to her meal. Something displeased her and she was pouting, and grandmother said to her, "I guess Betsy is going to have pout pie for dinner." She sat, I am inclined to think, on the step of the stair mentioned. At any rate, she sat there for a long time and finally spoke up and said, 'if I am going to have any pout pie, I want it, for I am hungry.' We all laughed heartily to think she never knew what pout pie was. I know perfectly well they used sometimes to call Betsy 'Brought No. 2'. She resembled me more than any the rest of the children, in complexion and build.

Father was always down on drunkenness and unchaste persons, and being so radical on these perhaps is why he was never elected justice of the peace. Betsy is wrong about father building the house I was born in, for Grandfather Green built it and it cost more, I think, than he thought it would, so that when father took the property he assumed some debts and was to support the parents.

Father always thought very much of his mother, and she did of him and his children. Grandmother Green was an extraordinary good woman, and quite well educated. She was in her day what was called a noisy Methodist; dressed plain, but her apparel was always made of good material. A commissioner of deeds came to our house, and after grandmother had signed her name, the officer said there was not a female school teacher in town that could write her name as well as she had written hers.

There is only one apple tree left now of the orchard that father set out in 1840, the orchard that he wrote to his brother Charles about, in your old letter of that day.

Broughton says: "When my grandparents left Connecticut, 1792, and were packing up their things, her brother was present and presented her with a book containing Wesley's sermons, and said to her, 'Amy, don't let your children tear this up, but read it; it may prove of great benefit to you.' She told her brother he must think her ungrateful and careless if he thought she would care so little for the gift as that. But

and the country and the people are good, and it is a great  
privilege to be here. I am sorry to say that we have had  
a very bad time of it. We have been here about two weeks  
now, and we have had a great deal of rain, and the water  
is very high, and the roads are all washed away, and we  
have had to go over the mountains to get to our place. We  
have had to go through some very difficult terrain, and  
we have had to cross many streams and rivers, and we  
have had to climb many hills and mountains. We have  
had to sleep in tents and live on dried bread and beans.  
We have had to work hard to get to our place, and we  
have had to face many difficulties and challenges. But  
we are here now, and we are happy to be here. We are  
looking forward to a bright future and a better life.

when they had got to Steuben and were unpacking their things, she took the book out of the box or trunk and laid it on the floor. One of her children, unobserved, crept up and got the book, opened it and tore out the fly leaf that her and her brother's names were written on. Grandmother said that she cried, but that did not restore the leaf. She afterward wrote her and her brother's names in the back part, and I have the book yet; old fashioned print, s's like an f. Grandmother took to reading the book and said it made her wise unto salvation, for in a short time she experienced religion, and from that time until the day of her death her home was the home of any Methodist preacher who came that way, and her death was the death of a christian, which amounts to life everlasting, for being dead she liveth, and her children rise up and call her blessed."

They used to keep a hotel in an early day. Grandfather Green used to be a pettifogger, and so did his son Ezra.

#### CHILDREN OF THERON GREEN.

Grove Winter Green, born at Sacketts Harbor, N. Y., June 10, 1808.

Louiza Ann Green,	1814,
Maryline Green,	1816.

Louiza Ann must have died young, as no mention is made of her in recent correspondence.

Cousin Mary seems to have settled at Springfield, Ohio, and married Mr. Ingersoll. She is now a widow with one son, Grove T. Ingersoll.

Grove W. Green is a self made man, who early in life had to depend upon his own exertions for his fortune. Quoting from a letter written me last year by himself, then in his 85th year, nearly blind in one eye and the vision of the other impaired, he says: "Born in Sacketts Harbor, my first pants put on me at Ashtabula; O., back to Sacketts Harbor before I was 5 years old. I have lived in Jefferson, Lewis, Oneida and Ontario counties, New York, and Franklin, Ohio, Kingston, Canada, and Granideer Island, half way between Canada and the States before I was 21. I lived one winter in Uncle Charles' family at Bloomfield.

I knew but little of Grandfather Ezra's family. Mary and I



have often heard him repeat the saying that he had Dutch or Hollander blood in his veins; but that would not be in the way of his being an Englishman. When I was 21 I settled in Springfield; afterwards I married Elizabeth Watson.

I was one of the survey party that helped run off the country near Atchison, Kansas, in 1855 into Townships six miles square. I came home from California in 1851.

REMSSEN, July 18, 1841.

MY MUCH RESPECTED COUSIN:

Although you are almost an entire stranger to me, I can remember of seeing you only once in my life, yet I esteem it not a privilege but a duty to write for the sake of relations and friends.

Grandmother wished me to write to you. She said Uncle Eleazer received your letter last winter; in it we read the death of your father and a request to know how old your mother was when she died.

She was born September 24, 1779, departed this life September 13, 1820, aged forty-one years.

Grandmother is now 82 years old. She is able to walk as far as Uncle Sellick's but has not walked as far as our house for more than a year. She enjoys comfortable health for a person of her age.

Uncle Eleazer and family are in good health. Uncle Sellick's are well, and those that are men are doing well; Charles, his oldest son, is in partnership with Lester Fowler, a merchant; George, his second son, is married. He is also a merchant.

Uncle Bohan Smith's family are all well, all married except Lucy. Uncle Ezra's are all well excepting Aunt Melissa, she has been sick more than a year.

I suppose that you have heard that Aunt Clarinda died last summer. Uncle Miller was married last November, I think, and Cousin James was married last March, so that there has been a great change in that family in less than a year.

As it respects our family, we are all well. One of my brothers lives in Lyden, my sister Elizabeth is in Bonnville teaching school. Two of my brothers are at home. We had the misfortune to have our mill burned one year ago last March. Last summer we built another, it is much better than the old one. One of my brothers is busy in it all the time; the other is employed on the farm. I am teaching school in this district, and board at home. I have taught school most of the time since I was sixteen. I am now twenty-four years old.

My dear cousin, I often think of you and the few cousins and friends that I have in the far west, and compare your situation with ours. You are in Michigan, Uncle Theron's two children are in Ohio, Grove and Mary; Uncle Charles and family are also there.

There are five of Grandmother's children living near enough to each other that they can see each other every week. Uncle Smith's children, three of them, live within three miles of us; Cousin Urania lives about 50 miles from here, but we see her once and sometimes twice a year. Three of Uncle Sellick's children live at the north, but visit Remsen once a year.

Uncle Miller's children visited us last winter, Matilda, Betsey and James, but those friends which live in the west, we never can see. I never saw any of Uncle Charles' children and perhaps never shall; but we can write to each other. I should be glad to hear from you once a year, at least. I had a letter from Cousin Mary last winter. She and Cousin Grove live in Springfield, Clark county, Ohio. They were well, and doing well there.

We have had a very dry season this summer. Everything is very backward. Flour is \$5 or \$6 a barrel, corn 6 s a bushel. We have one yoke of oxen, three cows, a four year old colt which we brought up by hand, as its mother was killed when the colt was a few hours old.



Give my love to your wife; accept of mother's best respects and wishes.  
This from your affectionate cousin, AMY C. PHELPS.  
To Alpheus Wooster.

LUDLOW, Sunday Morning, October 12th, 1862.

ELIAS GREEN,

DEAR SIR:—I found yesterday, on my return home from Europe, yours of September 3d. Mrs. H. and myself with Miss Elizabeth Canfield have spent the last four months in England, France, Switzerland and Germany. Have been all well and enjoyed our visit much, and returned pleased with our journey. But I am much grieved at the turn the affairs of the war have taken since I left home last June. Then our armies were all advancing and victory crowned all our efforts. I had been in the gun boat fleet before Island No. 10, and at the surrender of it; then feeling fatigued, and believing as I did then that the war would soon be over, I concluded to take a respite; and done so, much to my benefit.

Your brother, J. P. Green, called on Mr. Canfield, and said that he was in the service of the government, though I did not see him. As regards your son in the 101 Regt. Ohio Infantry, as yet I have not had time to learn of his whereabouts, but when I do I shall loose no opportunity to see him. I rejoice to see with what alacrity our youths and even old sires respond to the calls and rush to the rescue of our country. I am sorry to learn of the death of your brother Chamcey, though it is what I expected, as all my experience teaches that the doctrine of spiritualism produces melancholy, early decay, premature old age and death.

Miss Cynthia Munson, Mrs. Hoffner's niece, went with us and spent the summer with her mother in Connecticut, near Litchfield. She has a sister there who is lately married, and a brother in the army under Burnside. Mrs. Hoffner has three sisters; each has an only son, and the three sons are enlisted in the war as three year volunteers. None as yet hurt, as we have heard from them recently. All my brothers are too old to go to war, but have many nephews in the service; and worst of all, I had one, the son of my niece who lives in Kentucky, joined the rebel army under Buckner, and he was killed in the battle of Fort Donaldson. I only regret that he died in so bad a cause.

This leaves us well, and also Mr. Canfield and family.

With kind regards, I remain,

Truly Yours,  
JACOB HOFFNER.

EZRA GREEN'S LAST LETTER HOME TO ELIAS GREEN, MILAN, OHIO.

HOMER, TERRE-BONNE PARISH, LOUISIANA, Sunday, July 27, 1845.

RESPECTED BROTHER:

Yours of the 2d inst has just come to hand, as has also a letter from Chaumeey, at Oherlin, of June 21st, and right glad was I to get them too, being, except the one from you in December last, the first that I have received from any of you since March 24, 1841. Previous to my getting these my feelings had become somewhat alienated from the family, and would have been more so, I think, if I possessed a little more of that "Uncle Eleazer" (Leeze) disposition which mother used to charge me with so often. But I find I was most too rash in suffering myself to be displeased with not hearing from you, as one letter, at least, has been written by Chaumeey which I have not received. Hereafter I hope you will reform and think of me once in three months at any rate.

I have nothing important to write at this time, being but a few days since I wrote to Carlos. My health is tolerable good; have been over heated three or four times since the middle of June, but by stopping work two or three days, I get cooled off so as to commence again. During the rest of the summer my work will be in the shade where I think I can stand it a little better.

I have changed my situation, as you will learn by my letter to Carlos, which he has probably received before this time, from Napoleonville on Bayou La-



fourche to Homer, on Bayou Terre Bonne. The reason of my leaving that place was the poor prospect of getting my pay. Col. Sparks paid me \$90 very frankly, for the first two months, which I believe he did only as an inducement for me to work on through the year. If I had quit him then, I should have done well. I soon learned that his workmen seldom got their pay without difficulty. I settled with him, taking his note for what was then due me, one hundred and nine dollars, payable on demand, which is not worth 50 per cent., and I fear will never be worth a dollar to me. After being on expenses about five weeks, I commenced work here on a plantation for ——— Sample, at forty dollars per month. Have worked about two and a half months. My time will be out in one and a half months more, after which, I think I shall be in the vicinity of this place or near where I was in the winter. I am not doing as well as I expected when I first came to the country. Whether I stay another year or not is quite uncertain. This is an expensive country for a man to live in unless he is in good business. I have thought some of attempting to be an overseer next year, if I can get a situation, but shall not unless I conclude to stay in this country three or four years.

I am living with the overseer, whose house, as on all plantations, is situated at one end of the row of Negro houses; have a room to myself, and everything convenient; no other companions than the overseer and the Negroes; see a little fun occasionally, and a Negro "hauled" up to the post and whipped once in a while.

Aligators plenty! Bayou full of them; catch pigs, ducks and geese frequently. Last Sunday one was found under the stable, about ten feet long, and 'twas a jolly sight to see thirty or forty "Niggers" with poles and handspikes run the old settler out and surround him. That "pig chase" in the old Huron Institute yard wasn't a primary to it, at all.

A few words as to the last letter. I am sorry that there is a disunion of feeling with your neighbor and relative opposite. Have confidence enough in me to let me know all about it in your next.

Chuncey's letter which you spoke of his having written in the spring, I have never received, nor any other from him than the one from Oberlin, of June 21. The most of that was filled with a medical lecture which was very acceptable. He's getting up in the world, I think. If he gets too high remind him of the time he used to eat so much mush and milk as to sit down in the corner and cry with the "belly ache." (Don't let him see or hear this remark.) He wanted to know if I could loan him any money this fall, which is not probable. I shall write him in a few days. I wrote to him in May at ———, which it seems, by his letter, he has not received. Give my best respects to Sister Mary, and accept the same to yourself.

EZRA GREEN.

Chuncey says Carlos talks of going to the west. Tell him not to go till he has enough to buy some land. If he wants to leave home, to learn the carpenter trade and come to this state; it is the best trade a man can have here. One year spent in learning is nothing. Tell Mr. Loy that there will be but little work in the country here during the winter season, planters all being busy in gathering their crops, cannot spare any hands to help a carpenter make improvements. In the city wages will be from two to two and a half dollars per day until January and perhaps longer, depends upon the number of workmen who come in from the north. A man ought to stay three or four years to make anything in this country. Urge upon Carlos the importance of the advice given on page two. Send papers often to Terre-Bonne Parish, La.

E. G.

The sister Mary means my own mother. Ezra died about two weeks later, and was buried there.



JUNE, 1893.

These addresses are given for convenience. In some cases I have had to guess at the age, and some may have changed their residence since I last heard.

### Family Branch of Clarinda Miller.

Mrs. Matilda Plumb, age 88, with her daughter, Mrs. Fairchild,	Locust Grove, Lewis county, N. Y.	Lives Postmistress.
Mrs. Mary Plumb Gould, 67, G. H. P. Gould, 50,	177 North State Street, Chicago, Ill.	Lyon Falls, Lewis county, New York.

### Family Branch of Lucy Wooster.

Samuel Church Wooster, age 88, Donovan, South Lyon, Oakland county,	Care of his niece, Mrs. Urania Wooster Michigan.
Mrs. Urania Donovan, age 67, Mary Estella, her daughter, age 17,	South Lyon, Michigan.
William R. Busenbark, 37, C. R. R., Phenix Building, Chicago, Ill.	South Lyon, Michigan.
Nathan Wooster, 54, Three married children living near.	General Manager of the Chicago, St. P. & K. South Lyon, Mich.
Mrs. Nancy Wooster Horton, 56, and two married daughters,	Diamondale, Eaton county, Mich.

### Family Branch of Theron Green.

Mrs. Mary Green Ingersoll, 77, Grove Winter Green, 85, Grove T. Ingersoll, 50,	No. 12 West Columbia St., Springfield, Ohio.
Mrs. T. Jennie Walters, 53,	No. 18 Butzer St., Springfield, Ohio.
Mrs. Laura Belle Eayres, 32,	Springfield, Ohio.
Earnest W. Walters, 30,	Box 558, Omaha, Neb.
Edward M. Walters, 25,	Omaha, Neb.
Grace Lenore, an adopted daughter, 5,	Omaha, Neb.
Mrs. J. C. Billman, 50,	Nebraska City, Neb.
Son—Hobert Billman, 30, graduate of a Connecticut College, and on editorial staff of Nebraska City Daily and Weekly Press,	Nebraska City, Neb.
Theron Watson Green, 44,	London, Madison county, Ohio.
Mrs. Ida Green Walton, 41,	Dayton, Ohio.

### Family Branch of Betsy, Smith.

Mrs. Alsmenna Smith Owen, 70, Son—A. B. Owens, 45,	Reinsen, Oneida county, New York.
	N. Y. State Building, World's Fair Grounds, 1893, Chicago, Illinois.

### Family Branch of Urana Canfield.

Jacob Hoffner, age 94, husband of Sarah Canfield, (deceased).	Station "Cummonsville," Cincinnati, Ohio.
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Mrs. Cynthia A. Munson Wood, 49,	No. 171 West 47 St. New York City.
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### Family Branch of Sellick Green.

E. P. Green, 30,	Minneapolis, Minn.
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### Family Branch of Salley Phelps.

Chandler L. Phelps, 62, Nathan C. Phelps, age 58,	Alder Creek, Oneida county, New York.
	Remsen, New York.



## Family Branch of Charles Green.

Mrs. Alice Green, 74; wife of late Carlos Green,	East Norwalk, Huron Co., O.
Mrs. Mary Ann Green, 67,	wife of late Elias Green, Wakeman, Ohio,
Charles R. Green, 47,	Lyndon, Osage county, Kansas,
Mrs. Hepsite E. Morris, 11,	White Fox, Huron county, Ohio,
David E. Green, 10,	Wakeman, Ohio,
Gersham S. Green, 34,	White Fox, Ohio,
Ezra L. Green, 32,	Wakeman, Ohio,
Mrs. Mary Ann Eletcher, 30; Mrs. Bessie Delamater, 27, and Carlos Green, 25,	Wakeman, Ohio,
Mrs. Electa Green Swain, 43,	413 14th Ave. South East, Minneapolis, Minn.
Mrs. Ella Swain Ashworth, 25,	209 1st Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minn.
Charles L. Swain, 23; Hobert A. Swain, 11,	413 14th Ave. S. E. Minneapolis.
Eugene Chauncey Hull, 19,	Lincoln Avenue, Toledo, Ohio,
Mrs. Josiphene Green Webster, 42;	Carlos Green Webster, 21;
Mrs. Katie Green Rood, 31; Harry Green Rood, 13,	Norwalk, O.
Charles Alexis Green, 33,	East Norwalk, Ohio,
Willie H. Green, 33,	Fort Myers, Lee county, Florida.
Amilee E. Green Graham, 27,	Marshall Texas.
Mary Alice Green, 23; Winnifred Belle Green, 20; Norman Barbour Green, 15,	Galveston, Texas.
Maurice Elias D. Green,	Lyndon, Kansas.
	White Fox, Huron county, Ohio,

## Family Branch of Ezra Green.

Mrs. Matilda Green, 93, wife of Ezra Green, Trenton, New York.  
Mrs. Susan Melins, 60, and four married sisters, all daughters of Ezra Green,  
Trenton Falls, Oneida county, N. Y.

## Family Branch of Eleazer Green.

Silas Kent, 83, brother-in-law of Eleazer Green (deceased), Remsen, N. Y.  
 Bringhton White Green, 68, Harmony, Chautauqua county, New York.  
 Mrs. Betsy Smith Hurlbut, 60, Centralia, Nemaha county, Kansas.  
 Mrs. Amy Church Palmer, 54; Eleazer Green, 47, Jamestown, New York.  
 Wesley B. Green, 40, Supt. of construction Great Northern Railway Line  
 Pacific Extension, Kalispel, Missoula county, Montana.  
 William Eleazer Green, 30, Spencer, Clay county, Iowa.  
 Later removed to Idaho, or west.



In conclusion, at this date, after printing 30 pages, I would say to the many kinspeople who will read this pamphlet, and perhaps be disappointed because they have not been written of more, and who find errors in what I have compiled, that I have done just the best that I could with the material at hand, and have tried to be impartial. I do not wish to make any one feel unpleasant toward me. I presume after the approaching visit, and reunion of the Ezra Green family at Remsen, July 4th and 5th, which I expect to attend, that there will be many corrections and a great deal more history to be written, which can be added on to the back of this pamphlet. Some one had to make a beginning, lest we loose traditions handed down to us; and while I have not put all I have into print, I do this much now, as a memorial to our honored ancestors, Ezra and Amy Church Green. And the credit belongs principally to Broughton W. Green.

CHARLES R. GREEN,

Lyndon, Kansas, June 24, 1893.



To the descendants of our Revolutionary Grand-parents,  
Ezra and Amy Church Green.

## GREETING:

As secretary of the "Ezra Green Family Association," in conformance with instructions at their late Reunion at Trenton and Remsen, Oneida county, New York, July 4th to 6th, 1893, it becomes my duty to send out a report of the proceedings of said meeting, and such other printed matter as is deemed necessary.

The call for the Reunion of the Greens and their descendants was made in a general invitation two years ago, for all old settlers of Remsen, and school pupils of Broughton Green to meet the 4th and 5th of July. Of old settlers the call was to the Roots, Kents, Greens, Teffts, Jones and others. Broughton W. Green spent some weeks prior to the date in having notices and invitations sent out far and near, putting him to considerable trouble and expense, for which, so far, he has only our heart-felt thanks.

At the gathering the descendants of Ezra Green resolved themselves into an organization, and propose hereafter to be independent in their meetings, and strive to preserve the history of its ancestors, as shall be revealed in the coming Reunions.

On July 4th Broughton Green held a very sociable reunion of his old friends and school pupils at Bion Kent's grove, some five miles north of Remsen. A number of the Green descendants being present they were introduced to each other and called upon to assist in the general exercises of the occasion. Owen Evans, of Remsen, an old pupil, officiated as president of the day.

President Evans read the letters of regret received. They were all full of memories of bygone days, and interesting. Those sending them were C. G. Root, Minneapolis, Minn.; H. G. Bullock, North Western; Parker W. Tefft, Kensington, Ill.; Mrs. Jane Jones Lloyd, Oswego; H. O. Jones, Clinton, Iowa; Miss Austis Tefft, Englewood, Ill.; Mrs. Miranda C. White, M. D., Rochester, N. Y.; B. D. Root, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Cynthia A. Wood, New York City; Mrs. George Mix nee Ann Evans, Rochelle, Ill., and David H. Jones, Chicago, Illinois.



After the letters were read, a recess of one hour was announced, when all present formed themselves into small groups and partook of lunch. Everybody was in a reminescent mood and the stories recited of the days at school when Mr. Green taught were many and thoroughly enjoyed. Several had brought with them to show friends, old relics, some of them very old and of historic interest. John R. Price had a horn handled, three bladed knife, which had been the property of Baron Steuben, a silver spoon, which had been presented to Ezra and Amy Green when they were married in Litchfield, Conn., in 1776, was exhibited by Charles R. Green, of Lyndon, Kansas, and was the subject of much interest to the representatives of the Green family present. The oldest relic shown, however, was that of Silas Kent, of this village, which was an old fashioned cane bottomed arm chair, which had been the property of John Kent, of pre-revolutionary times. Another relic shown was an old spelling book which had been used in district No. 3, 71 years ago. This was the property of Dwight C. Kilbourn, clerk of the superior court of Litchfield county, Conn., who said jocosely in a speech he delivered that he made the journey from his home in Connecticut here purposely to allow his relatives to see this rare old book.

The noon hour was then spent in a very happy manner. By the way, a refreshment booth had been erected on the grounds and attendants dispensed lemonade gratuitously to all who desired the cooling beverage. Candies, fruits and ice cream were also to be had. There were swings, too, that the younger folks might enjoy themselves, which they did, having a good time.

Promptly at 1 o'clock Pres. Evans again called the assemblage to order. The choir sang "My Country, 'tis of Thee," etc. in a truly patriotic patriotic spirit, Miss Susie Hilton presiding at the organ, after which, responding to the call of the president, Mr. Green ascended the platform and feelingly said that it gave him much pleasure to meet again so many of his old pupils, friends and relatives, adding in conclusion that he appreciated more than words could express the kindly greetings and tributes of respect. Mr. Green had not a prepared speech and spoke briefly, yet warmly.



The next speaker was Dwight C. Kilbourn, of Conn., grandson of Eurana Green. Mr. Kilbourn possesses a happy manner and is a pleasing talker. He referred humorously to the laughable incidents of the day which he had observed, and paid a glowing tribute to the disrriet schools, remarking that from them came Garfield and Hayes. He also, before concluding, suggested that it was Independence day, and with a patriotic ardor eulogized our country's flag—old glory—which waved in the breeze beside him in honor of the day. At the request of friends he read the following poem composed by him while enroute from home. It gives an account of the trials and emigrations of Ezra Green and is of great interest:

### "THE WEARING O' THE GREEN."

From the old steady habit land,  
With people sharp and keen,  
I've come to join this happy band,  
Who are a wearin' o' the Green,

From hilly Bantam, rough and cold,  
With lake of silvery sheen,  
I've come to greet you, young and old,  
Who are a wearin' o' the Green.

From the land of nutmegs wooden,  
I would with you convene,  
And eat your cakes and "puddin',"  
While you're a wearin' o' the Green.

What made our father move away?  
"Tis very strange I ween,  
That they should from the homestead stray,  
While a wearin' o' the Green.

What made old Ezra emigrate?  
"Tis plainly to be seen:  
He wanted room—a larger state—  
For those a wearin' o' the Green.

And so he left the Beth'l'm hill,  
No fairer e'er was seen,  
With rippling brook and busy mills,  
All clad in living Green.



And while he sit the Britishers,

And came out lank and lean,  
Starved in prison by those wicked curs,  
Who don't like wearing o' the Green.

He doubtless thought to get away  
From them all slick and clean;  
So we would celebrate the day,  
By a wearing o' the Green.

And so among these fertile meads,  
He pitched his tent between,  
And raised the very choicest breeds,  
For a wearing of the Green.

And here he lived 'till very old,  
With truly solemn mein,  
In summer's heat and winter's cold,  
While a wearing o' the Green.

He was, no doubt, a man of prayer.  
His wife a very queen,  
A Church with him was ever there,  
While bringing up the Green.

The glorious flag of stars and stripes,  
Of course, he'd often seen,  
For he suffered back of prison bars,  
But not for wearing o' the Green.

He little thought, I'm very sure,  
Of seeing such a scene,  
Or that he'd need an August cure,  
While a wearing o' the Green.

I s'pose there's been some mighty men,  
Sprung from this ancient Green,  
There may be one, there may be ten,  
All wearing o' the Green.

May we all meet' some future day,  
Tho' ages intervene,  
And greet again this blest array,  
Redeemed by wearing o' the Green,



Following the reading of the poem, Richard J. Thomas made a characteristic address, and a poem descriptive of Mr. Green as a teacher, which was well received.

Others who delivered brief addresses were Jabez H. Jones, of Utica; John R. Price, of this place; C. R. Green, of Lyndon, Kansas, a nephew of Broughton Green; and the venerable Silas Kent, of this village, all of whom expressed sentiments highly enthusiastic of Mr. Green.

President Evans, in calling upon the several gentlemen mentioned to ascend the stage and speak, made appropriate remarks, performing the duties of his office to the satisfaction of all present.

After the choir had sung, "When we gather at the river," Prof. F. V. Kent, of Boonville, delighted the gathering with an instrumental selection, admirably executed, which concluded the exercises of the day.

Among those present from a distance, besides Dwight C. Kilbourn, clerk of the superior court of Litchfield county, Conn., Jabez Jones, of Utica, and Charles R. Green, of Lyndon, Kansas, cousin of Mr. Green, whom we have already mentioned, were Harvey Phelps, of Carthage, Chandler L. Phelps, of Alder Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, of Boonville, and many others. As the letters of regret suggest, invitations had been sent to all of the old students who could be located. It was interesting to observe that four generations of the Kent family were represented, and Silas Kent, the oldest descendant living, who is in his 87th year, and hale and hearty, seemed proud of his years.

A brief sketch of Mr. Green's ancestors may be of interest. Many years ago there were in the Green and Church families a large number who were successful teachers and patriots. They were of the noble Puritan stock who settled at Bethlehem, Connecticut. Samuel and Sarah Church were the great grand parents of B. W. Green. Joshua Church, a son of Samuel and Sarah Church, was a captain in the revolutionary army, and Ezra Green, grandfather of B. W. Green, was also a soldier of the revolution. Eleazer Green, the father of B. W. Green, was born in the town of Steuben, where his father settled on the removal from Connecticut in 1896. He subsequently moved to the northern part of the town of



Remsen, and there lived with his family until 1847, when he removed to Steuben and there resided up to the time of his death, September 11, 1884. His wife, Silvina Kent, was a sister of Chester G. and Silas Kent, of Remsen, and was an estimable lady. Eleazer Green, though a farmer by occupation, commenced teaching when 19 years of age. His son, Broughton W. Green, after struggling hard to secure an education, commenced to teach in 1844-45. He was so successful that he followed his vocation for several years, teaching in the covered bridge district in 1845-46, and in the Kent district in 1849. Besides being successful in teaching his pupils he also succeeded to a remarkable degree in securing their good will and regard as was shown by the addresses made and letter read at the reunion.

According to arrangements, descendant of the old settlers gathered at the hotel of Adam Griffith, Trenton, on the morning of July 5th. With the exception of Silas Kent and daughter, Bion Kent, of Honnedago, Chester Kent, of Meriden, Connecticut, Mrs. A. B. Osgood and mother, Mrs. M. F. Tufts, of Verona, New York, the half hundred or more individuals present were the Green descendants, and as the correspondent of the Utica Daily Gazette made a report in his paper, we copy it verbatim:

### GREEN FAMILY REUNION.

HELD AT TRENTON AND REMSEN YESTERDAY—THE DESCENDANTS  
OF EZRA GREEN WHO WERE PRESENT.

One of the oldest and best known families, and one whose history is closely identified with Remsen's prosperity, is the Green family. For nearly a century the various members of this family have liyed in Remsen and the surrounding sections, and have contributed materially to the advancement of the town. The first member of the family from whom those now living trace their genealogical history, was Ezra Green, born in Bethlehem, Connecticut in 1754. In 1791 with his wife, Amy Church Green, Ezra Green moved to Remsen and settled near where the town line of Steuben now is. To Ezra and Amy Green ten children were born, the children and grandchildren of whom were present at the reunion yesterday.



The several branches of the family include the Greens, Kents, Tufts, Phelps, Smiths, Frenchs, Roots and Dodges, nearly every one of which had some representative present yesterday. The reunions were first commenced at the suggestion of Broughton W. Green, one of the oldest and most prominent of the living members of the family.

The members of the family held two meetings yesterday, one in the morning at Trenton, and the other in the afternoon at Remsen. Those who came to the Griffiths hotel in Trenton were most representatives of the Kent, Green and Root branches. At this meeting a letter was read showing the service of Ezra Green, the facts for which had been gathered from the records on file in the office of the war department. It showed that Ezra Green, the grandfather of B. W. Green, and the progenitor of the family, had been a regularly enlisted soldier and active participant in the revolution. He enlisted in 1775 as a private in Captain David Hinman's company, of Colonel Hinman's regiment, and served till November, 1775. At the beginning of 1776 he joined Colonel Phillip Bradley's regiment, serving six months. In 1777 he enlisted in Colonel Mosely's regiment, and after being mustered out of service here, he again re-enlisted under Captain Hinman at Danbury, Connecticut. For this service the government in 1831 granted an annual pension of \$47.98 to his widow, Amy Church Green.

Other letters were read by Hon. D. C. Kilbourn, of Litchfield, Connecticut, relating to the condition of the family 40 and 50 years ago. The following were elected officers of the family organization: President, Broughton W. Green, Harmony, N. Y.; Secretary, Charles R. Green, Lyndon, Kansas. Before taking the 1:30 p. m. train for Remsen, the members of the family were serenaded by the Trenton I. O. O. F. band.

The Reisen meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Alsenena Owens. This was chiefly a social gathering, and the members passed their time in telling anecdotes relating to the family. During the afternoon a pamphlet of about forty pages containing a genealogical sketch of the family was presented to those present. It was compiled by Charles R. Green, of Lyndon, Kansas, and gives briefly and concisely a



history of the descendants of Ezra and Amy Green

After the exchange of reminiscences and the discussion of methods for the promotion of more active interest in the reunions, and after eating the spread prepared for them by Mrs. Owens, the several members separated, voting the reunion of '93 one of the most successful that had yet been held.

Among those present were: Broughton W. Green, Harmony; Mrs. Alsemena Owen, Remsen; Mr. and Mrs. Chandler Phelps, Alder Creek; Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler and son, Boonville; Harvey Phelps, Carthage; Mrs. Helen Phelps, Alder Creek; Mr. and Mrs. Adam Griffiths and family, Mrs. Susan Mealus, Prospect; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel French, Mrs. Robert Skinner, and family, Trenton; Silas Kent and daughter, Remsen; Mrs. M. F. Tufts and daughter, Verona; Mrs. C. S. Wood, New York; Chester Kent Meriden, Connecticut; Hon. D. C. Kilbourn, Litchfield, Connecticut; Charles R. Green, Lyndon Kansas."

Before leaving the subject of this July 5th day's proceedings at Trenton, I would remark that the gathering of the Greens at Trenton first, instead of Remsen, the old home of the revolutionary grandfather, was to accommodate the five families living in and near there, viz: Mrs. Sarah Ann French, Mrs. Catharine Griffiths, Mrs. Josephine Skinner, Mrs. Maryetta Rich and Mrs. Susan Mealus, daughters of Ezra Green Jr., who with their families numbered some 35 or 40. And the adjourned meeting in the p. m. to Remsen was to give the relatives around there an opportunity to come in. Hereafter Remsen will be the place of meeting, and some church or public hall be secured so that sessions for business can be held at regular hours, once a day during the assembly.

At an adjourned session of the Green family, held in Remsen July 6, 1893, the following resolutions were adopted:

**RESOLVED**, That another meeting of the Green descendants be held at Remsen in three years. The month of September being the time in the year that so many of our ancestors have gone to join in that grand reunion above, we do recommend that that month be selected and the date of the month chosen when the notices are sent out by the secretary in 1896.

**RESOLVED**, That Eleazer Green, Esq., of Jamestown, New



York, grandson of Ezra and Amy Church Green, of Revolutionary days, in memory of whom this association is founded, be asked to prepare and deliver such an address as will be suitable to the occasion.

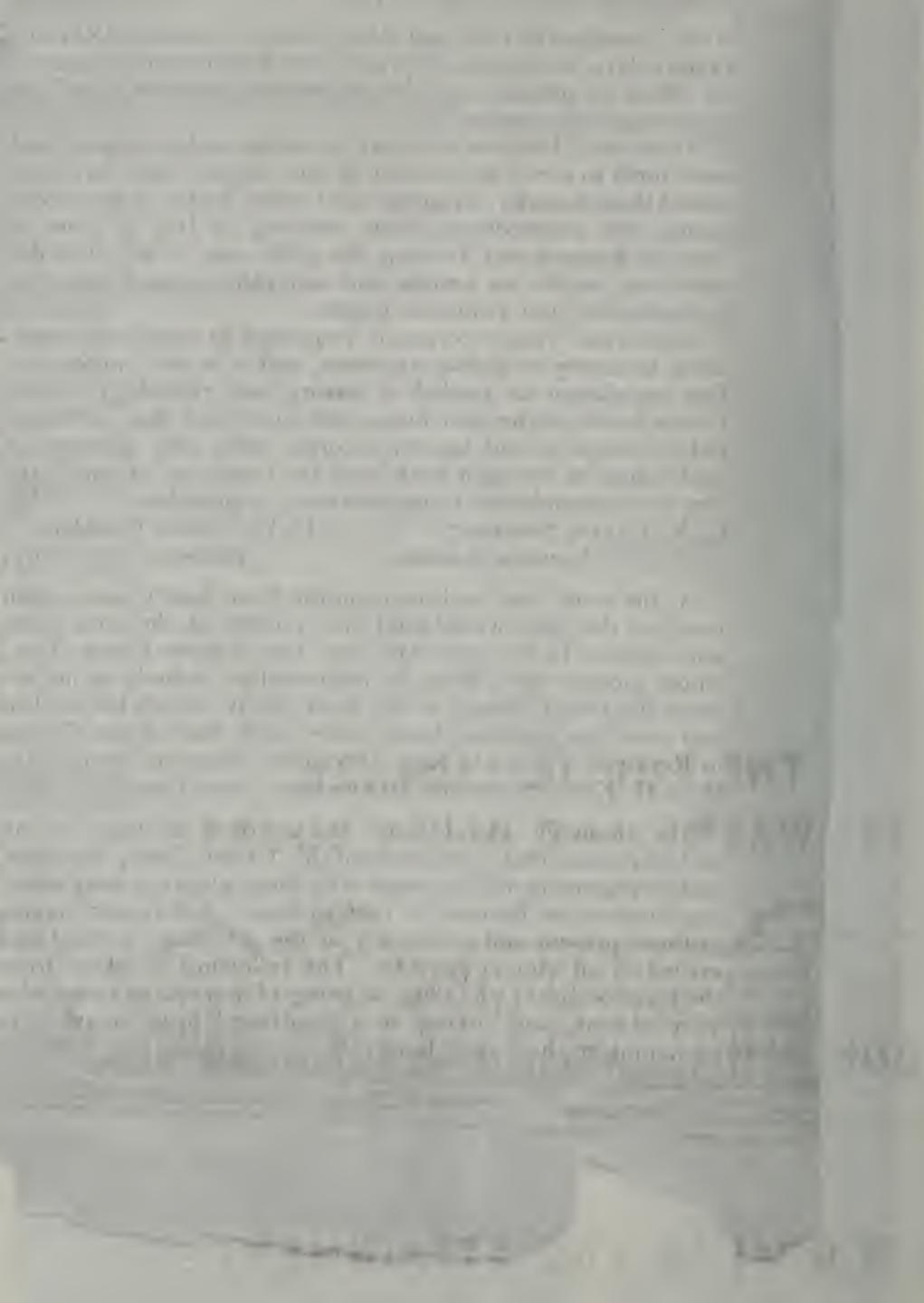
RESOLVED, That our secretary be authorized to prepare and send forth to every descendant of this family, who have attained their majority, living in this United States, a sheet containing the proceedings of this meeting of July 4, 5 and 6, 1893, at Remsen and Trenton, the addresses of all adult descendants, as far as known, and such other printed matter as is appropriate and within our means.

RESOLVED, That everyone is requested to contribute something in money to defray expenses, and it is the intention of this association to publish a history and genealogy of the Green family in the near future, we do request that all material in shape of old letters, records, relics and pictures of said family be brought forth, and the existence of such articles be communicated to the secretary or president.

C. R. GREEN, Secretary.                    B. W. GREEN, President,  
Lyndon, Kansas.                              Remsen, New York.

At the same time and occasion the Kent family association resolved that they would hold their reunion at the same place and conform to the same date, and that Eleazer Green, Esq., whose mother was a Kent, be requested to embody in his address the family history of the Kent family, which for the last 100 years has been so closely united with that of the Greens in Remsen.                    SILAS KENT, President, Remsen, New York.  
BION H. KENT, Secretary, Honnedaga, New York.

The Boonville Herald gave the use of its columns to any and all reports that were made of this Green Family Reunion, and arrangement will be made with them when our next meeting convenes at Remsen in 1896 to have a full report, names of those present and a synopsis of the addresses printed and mailed to all who so provide. The following is taken from the issue of July 13th, 1893, as being of interest to those who were absent, and giving in a condensed form many facts pertaining to the Green family:



## SPARKS FROM THE RECENT REUNION AT REMSEN.

REMSSEN, July 12.—Hon. D. C. Kilbourn, who came from Litchfield, Conn., found in addition to his Green family parentage that his wife formerly had relatives who made Oneida county their home, viz: Isaac Hopper. He also discovered the beauties of this suburb to the Adirondack region and expects to return in the near future with his lady for an outing.

The past week was a great season for old relics, old family letters and "Ye olden times" generally. With D. C. Kilbourn, of Connecticut, and C. R. Green, of Kansas, both enthusiastic collectors, and the latter a genealogist, relics were pretty well brought to the front. We trust that the Roots, Kents, Thomases, Daytons, Testts, Mitchells and others of the first settlers of the old hills, whose descendants are in the east and west, will favor us with family visits and we will gladly show you our antiquities.

Mrs. Cynthia A. Wood, a lady of high standing and a member of scientific clubs of New York, who, as great granddaughter of Ezra Green, when a girl trod the byways at Remsen, found full scope for her tastes in Botanical research here, and we shall not be surprised to see her and her children back to spend a summer vacation in our midst. She visited Trenton Falls, Steuben monument and the country around.

Charles R. Green, of Kansas, the secretary of the Green family association, departed Friday westward with a pleasant impression of this his first visit in Oneida county, and he has improved it well as a collector. He took with him an old fashioned leather-covered, brass-studded trunk, filled with trophies of a week's work in Remsen and Steuben. The trunk was presented him by Hon. Chandley L. Phelps, of Alder Creek, who, fifty-three years ago got it of C. R. Green's father, Elias Green, in Ohio to bring home his traps in when out there in the service of the Toledo and Wabash Canal Packet company, a youth of 20 years.

Mrs. John J. Owens' home in Remsen was the scene of much activity last week. She is now in her 78th year, a granddaughter of Ezra Green, the proud possessor of Grandmother Amy Church Green's golden beads and the only living child of Bohan and Betsy Green Smith living here. Her



comfortable home was thrown open to the use of the family descendants, 20 or more being present the afternoon of the fifth.

When the adjourned meeting at Trenton came to Remsen, this was also made the home of those from abroad while here, and "Cousin Alsemena" got about, as spry as a mother at fifty. Her son Augustus is absent this summer in an office in the New York building at the World' Fair.

The Phelps family met at their brother's residence near Remsen during the reunion. Harvey Phelps, of Carthage, Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler and son Clark, of Boonville, Chandlee L. Phelps and lady, of Alder Creek, and Nathan C. Phelps, at whose house they met. Their history is one of interest, for until their sister Amy C. Phelps Morgan's of Carthage, died, September, 1892, this family circle of Harvey and Sally Green Phelps' children had been unbroken, Amy's age at death was 76. The average age of the four remaining is more than 72 years. Nathan is suffering from a recent stroke of paralysis, but recovered enough to enjoy the visit of kinspeople.

It is thought by the secretary, Charles R. Green, of Lyndon, Kansas, that there are about 380 living descendants of Ezra and Amy Green, who were married during the Revolutionary war, and who in Remsen and Steuben sent ten children forth to people the earth 100 years ago. Of the Sally Phelps branch there are 36 living descendants, Ezra Green jr. 36, Bohan Smith 44, Charles Green 41. The six other branches have not been looked up closely enough to report carefully on.

The visiting cousins from abroad were right royally entertained at Trenton by the Ezra Green daughters the day of the reunion there; Adam Griffiths threw open his hot land at least 30 were seated at the first table and the younger cousins and children came afterwards there must have been a score or two. Altogether the cousin Green Griffiths made us very welcome. Sarah Ann Green French assisted as did others. Then that good, openhanded cousin-in-law, Daniel French took us to view the Trenton Falls, and all the country around, in his carriage, making two trips to Remsen.

B. W. Green would like to procure a Sanders reader, No. 1 or 2.



According to instructions, in due time I communicated with Eleazer Green Esq., of Jamestown, New York. His answer as follows, gives the association something definite to work upon:

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., August 21, 1893.

C. R. GREEN,

Lyndon, Kansas.

DEAR SIR AND KINSMAN:

I have received yours of recent date containing the information that I had been selected to deliver the address at the Green and Kent family reunion in September, 1896, and containing also the formal invitation to do so, from you as secretary of the organization.

I feel much honored by this mark of consideration, and would be indeed ungrateful should I decline the invitation without a very substantial reason. I, therefore, promise to be with you on that occasion, unless Time, who undoubtedly has many things in store for me during the three intervening years, of which I do not now know, shall then have ordered otherwise.

I trust, however, that you will not expect me to make the address of the reunion. I promise, however to say something.

Again thanking you, and as well those who were with you in extending the invitation, I am,

Very Truly Yours,

ELEAZER GREEN.

BROUGHTON W. GREEN, Remsen, N. Y.,  
President of the Ezra Green Family Association.

CHARLES R. GREEN, Lyndon, Kansas, Secretary.













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